

REMARKS

The pending claims are 5, 10-13. Claims 5 and 10 have been amended. No new matter is introduced therein.

The drawings have been objected to. Proposed drawing corrections have been made to Figures 1 and 3B. Accordingly, applicants request that the objections to the drawings be withdrawn.

The Abstract has been objected to because it contains the word "comprises" in line 1. Since the Abstract has been amended, applicants request that this objection be withdrawn.

Claim 5 has been objected to because there is a period at the end of line 9 instead of a semicolon. Since the correction has been made, applicants request that this objection be withdrawn.

Claims 5 and 10-13 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Hiroyasu (JP 09-070162). Claim 5 has been amended to recite that there is "a terminal made of metal plate insert-molded into the base." This recitation is supported by page 7, lines 8-9 of the specification. Hiroyasu does not anticipate this recitation because, in Hiroyasu, the terminal 2 is molded with the core 1 (see the "solution" in the English language Abstract) ("stator core 1 is constituted by integrally molding the core 1 and a terminal block 2."); whereas claim 5 recites that the terminal is insert-molded into the base. With applicants' invention, a whole motor can be surface mounted on a circuit board via the terminals. (page 7, lines 9-11). In contrast, in Hiroyasu, the terminals are molded to a surface of the core.

Consequently, claim 5 is not subject to rejection under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by Hiroyasu.

Claim 10 has been amended in an identical manner to the amendment of claim 5. Specifically, claim 10, paragraph (d) recites:

a motor base having a terminal made of a metal plate insert-molded into the base and insert-molded around the bearing supporter.

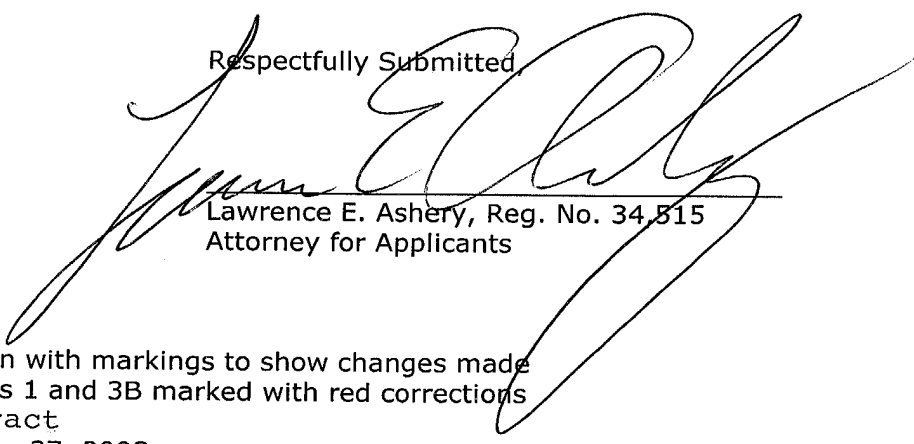
Claim 10 includes the step of, in part, positioning and supporting the motor base at a given place." Since the motor base has been defined, in part, as "having a terminal made of a metal plate insert-molded into the base," the aforesaid step must be read as positioning and supporting the defined motor base at a given place. As shown above, Hiroyasu does not position and support a motor base "having a terminal made of a metal plate insert-molded into the base." Accordingly, claim 10 is not subject to rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Hiroyasu.

Claims 11-13 depend from claim 10. Therefore, claims 11-13 are not subject to rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Hiroyasu at least for the same reasons that claim 10 is not subject to the rejection.

The prior art made of record and not relied upon is not considered any more pertinent to applicants' disclosure than that already cited.

For all the foregoing reasons, applicants respectfully solicit allowance of claims 5, 10-13.

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Enclosures: Version with markings to show changes made
Figures 1 and 3B marked with red corrections
Abstract

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